**Northern Rockies Association of IB Schools**

**Monthly Meeting**

**March 4, 2015**

**Short-term targets for this meeting:**

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| Welcome and introductions |  |
| Update on workshops, August 3-5, 2015:   1. DP – Theory of Knowledge (Category 2) 2. Primary Years Programme –Inquiry (Cat 3) 3. Continuum (PYP, MYP, DP) – Indigenous Ways of Knowing (Cat 3)  * **Confirmed cost** * **CSPD registration open?** * **Launch page link?** * **SAVE THE DATE sent** * **Current registrations?** * **Outreach if capacity mid-March** | Seeley Lake Elementary plans to send 3-4 participants to the PYP Inquiry workshop at UM.  MIS plans to send 2-3 participants to the PYP Inquiry workshop at UM and 1 participant to the Indigenous Ways of Knowing workshop at UM.  Heather provided update on current registrations:   * PYP Inquiry: 16 * DP TOK: 18 * Continuum IWOK: 7 |
| Update on Constitution and Bylaws – based on IBO feedback (Jeff and Brad) | Brad shared updated Constitution and Bylaws document. We all agreed to the changes. Heather will look into next steps for creating association/affiliation/fiscal sponsorship more formally:   * 501c3 * Missoula Education Foundation * Missoula Community Foundation   Once BSHS authorization is announced, NRAIBS will hold Executive Board elections.  When do we seek approval from IBO? |
| Share assessment documents (Udo/Jeff)   * ~~Jeff~~ Udo will share progress/update on work with Global Gateway/assessment | Udo provided update on work. Developed a pre-post assessment appropriate K-12. Udo will post final version to NRAIBS Google group in the next few weeks. |
| Coordinate Plan to move forward - IB credit acceptance with Montana University System (Cameron) | See Cameron’s email for update; Cameron and Trent will work together on next steps. Perhaps focus on dual credit options. |
| Feedback on online community:   * Plus * Delta | Add Karen and Amy to the Google group; still working to solve problem of adding members. |
| UM progress update (Lucila, Trent, Ryder, John) | UM continues discussion of a self-support or FTE driven model for IB certificate courses at UM. Field experience is also continuing to be discussed. |
| Updates/items from NRAIBS members: | Ran out of time for any additional updates. |
| Wrap up –  Establish agenda items for April meeting  ***Next meeting:***   * ***Wednesday, April 8th*** * ***4:00-5:30pm*** * ***MCPS Administration Building, Room 14*** | * Executive Board Elections (as soon as BSHS authorized) * When do we seek recognition by IBO? (Brad/Jeff) * Update on association options (Heather) * Update on workshop registrations (Heather) * Update on IB credit recognition with Montana University System (Cameron/Trent) |

**Northern Rockies IB Schools**

**Guiding Question:** How do we collaboratively support one another in implementing and sustaining the International Baccalaureate continuum in Montana schools?

**Long-term targets:**

1. Facilitate quality program development, curriculum improvement, and effective implementation of IB programs through a cooperative exchange.
2. Support staff development and training in conjunction with the International Baccalaureate Organization for teachers, coordinators and administrators.
3. Provide centralized communication for all member programs with regards to general policy, concerns, needs and ideas.
4. Foster formal recognition of the International Baccalaureate programs by our regional university and college systems.
5. Build broad community support and buy-in through purposeful and intentional engagement of the community with outreach and educational programming.
6. Establish collaborative relationships between existing International Baccalaureate programs in the Northern Rockies while supporting the development of new IB programs throughout the region.
7. Ensure IB programs and pedagogy are accessible to *all interested and invested learners*, regardless of circumstances.